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Program Product for Scheduling  
Burst Profile Changes Based on  
Minislot Count**

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**Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board  
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Sir:

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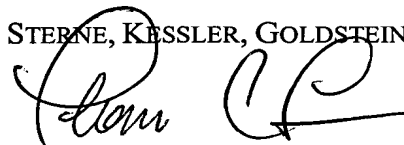
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Respectfully submitted,

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